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to: Mr. William E. Nelson
Deputy Director for Operations

FROM:

SUBJECT:

REMARKS:

I asked [redacted] to take a
look at [redacted] 7 December
memo on the Soviet chemical warfare
threat. Attached are his comments.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Operations
SUBJECT : Appreciation of the Soviet Chemical Warfare Threat

25X1 1. I have [] memo of 7 December to you on this subject.

2. I would not agree with the assertion that the Intelligence Community has not come to grips with the available information on the subject. In large part because of [] SIC studies and entire national estimates in the mid-sixties were devoted to the question of Soviet chemical warfare capabilities. The latest version of NIE 11-14, the major regular estimate on Soviet General Purpose Forces, devotes an entire annex to the subject.

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3. Under the circumstances, I do not think any further action is necessary to highlight this subject at the national intelligence level.

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